

We will remember FCC ruling during next Presidential Election and Congressional Elections

I am writing to you today to comment on Docket No. 02-277, the Biennial Review of the FCC's broadcast media ownership rules. In promoting its supposed goals of fair competition, diversity and local voice in today's media market, I strongly believe that the FCC should retain all of the current media ownership rules now in question. These rules serve the public interest by limiting the market power of the huge, dominant companies and players in the broadcast industry.

In the next federal election and those that follow I will work to defeat those who are uninterested in anything but increased profits for any organization at the expense of true diversity of expression. Unfortunately, it appears that many in Washington are blinded by large election donations and are ignoring the fact that Mr. Smith's invisible hand only works on a theoretically even playing field. The FCC's rules were put in place in recognition of that fact by individuals whose judgement weren't blinded by a need to raise huge amounts of money to get elected.

Consolidation of the media will make it even harder for individuals to run for office. The monopolistic media giants will milk the process for all they can and the people will loss out and democracy in this country will wither away.

Thank you,

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